RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I have not got the waiting list with me at present.

PRESIDENT: All questions relating to the waiting list need not be pursued because the waiting list is not in his hand.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): May I know from the Government whether Mr. Matthew has made all these appointments overlooking the just claims of those who were in the waiting list and who had superior qualification and superior service?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): No, Sir.

MR. H. ABDUR RAHIMAN SAHIB (*Nominated*): May I know whether the one Mahomedan appointed is in the clerical staff of the Office?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): The answer is there. That Mahomedan is in the Director's Office.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum—Rural*): May I know, Sir, how many of these appointments are permanent and how many acting?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): The main question is about the number of appointments. I cannot say how many are acting and how many are permanent. All the appointments made by the present Director are included in the answer.

Firms enjoying monazite leases.

177 ***MR. S. CHATTANATHA KARAYALAR** (*Shencotta*): Will the Government be pleased to state the names of the firms enjoying monazite leases and the respective periods for which licenses have been granted?

MR. N. K. PADMANABHA PILLAI (*Director of Industries*): A *statement containing the information is laid on the table.

MR. S. CHATTANATHA KARAYALAR (*Shencotta*): May I know whether the firms mentioned in the Appendix are entitled to work in minerals other than monazite?

MR. N. K. PADMANABHA PILLAI (*Director of Industries*): No, Sir,

MR. S. CHATTANATHA KARAYALAR (*Shencotta*): Are they actually working only in monazite?

MR. N. K. PADMANABHA PILLAI (*Director of Industries*): There are certain other minerals such as Ilmenite, Zircon, Garnet and so on which come out, on separation process, and so they are also included in this.

MR. S. CHATTANATHA KARAYALAR (*Shencotta*): May I know whether the terms of agreement in the case of all these firms are the same?

MR. N. K. PADMANABHA PILLAI (*Director of Industries*): The period may vary, but the terms are the same.

MR. S. CHATTANATHA KARAYALAR (*Shencotta*): May I know whether royalty is levied on these leases?

MR. N. K. PADMANABHA PILLAI (*Director of Industries*): Yes.

* *Vide* Appendix III

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MR. S. CHATTANATHA KARAYALAR (*Shencotta*): May I know whether the royalty is fixed ? Or does it vary from time to time ?

MR. N. K. PADMANABHA PILLAI (*Director of Industries*): The Royalty is fixed by an agreement entered into between the Company and the Government.

MR. S. CHATTANATHA KARAYALAR (*Shencotta*): May I know whether the royalty is the same in the case of all firms ?

MR. N. K. PADMANABHA PILLAI (*Director of Industries*): I think it is the same, Sir.

MR. S. CHATTANATHA KARAYALAR (*Shencotta*): May I know whether monazite is available elsewhere in India ?

MR. N. K. PADMANABHA PILLAI (*Director of Industries*): Not in India,

MR. S. CHATTANATHA KARAYALAR (*Shencotta*): May I know whether in the whole world monazite is supplied from Brazil alone excepting this State ?

MR. N. K. PADMANABHA PILLAI (*Director of Industries*): That is furnishing information, Sir.

MR. PACODE A. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Vilavankod*): May I know whether licenses issued to any other firm or person have been cancelled ?

MR. N. K. PADMANABHA PILLAI (*Director of Industries*): No.

MR. PACODE A. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Vilavankod*): May I know whether all the four firms mentioned in the Appendix are paying royalty to Government ?

MR. N. K. PADMANABHA PILLLI (*Director of Industries*): Yes, Sir.

MR. PACODE A. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Vilavankod*): May I know, from the Government who advised the Government with regard to the issuing of licenses to these firms ?

MR. N. K. PADMANABHA PILLAI (*Director of Industries*): The agreement is drawn up by the Head Sirkar Vakil and the information about the minerals is supplied by the Geologist attached to the Department of Industries.

MR. PACODE A. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Vilavankod*): May I know whether the Additional Head Sirkar Vakil has anything to do with the drawing up of the agreements with these firms and persons ?

MR. N. K. PADMANABHA PILLAI (*Direrter of Industries*): No, Sir,

MR. PACODE A. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Vilavankod*): May I know whether the Additional Head Sirkar Vakil is the Standing Counsel for these monazite firms ?

MR. N. K. PADMANABHA PILLAI (*Director of Industries*). I have no information, Sir.

MR. PACODE A. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Vilavankod*): May I know from the member the use to which the monazite exported from Travancore is put ?

MR. N. K. PADMANABHA PILLAI *Director of Industries*); They are used for the manufacture of mantles out of a chemical known as thoria and it is used for various other purposes also.

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MR. PACODE A. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Vilavankod*): May I know whether the Government have considered the possibility of working this as a State concern?

MR. N. K. PADMANABHA PILLAI (*Director of Industries*): No, Sir.

MR. S. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil II*): May I know from the member for what industrial purposes monazite and ilmenite are used?

MR. N. K. PADMANABA PILLAI (*Director of Industries*): I have already stated about the use of monazite. Ilmenite is used for the manufacture of Titanium white, etc.

MR. A. EASWARA PILLAI (*Kalkulam II*): May I know whether these firms are working for various terms now?

MR. N. K. PADMANABHA PILLAI (*Director of Industries*): Yes, Sir.

MR. A. EASWARA PILLAI (*Kalkulam II*): May I know for how many years they have been working?

MR. N. K. PADMANABHA PILLAI (*Director of Industries*): They were started at different periods and it will be within three years since they have begun to work.

MR. A. EASWARA PILLAI (*Kalkulam II*): May I know whether they ship ilmenite also?

MR. N. K. PADMANABHA PILLAI (*Director of Industries*): They do.

MR. R. SAMBASIVA AIYAR (*Kunnatnad II*): May I know the average amount of royalty collected from these firms annually?

MR. N. K. PADMANABHA PILLAI (*Director of Industries*): Rs. 30,000 is the minimum royalty for the Travancore Minerals Company Ltd.: Rs. 16,000 is the royalty for Messrs Hopkin & Williams Ltd.; Rs. 1,000 is the minimum for Messrs. F. X. Pereira and Sons ;and Rs. 1,000 Mr. E. Masillamani.

MR. R. SAMBASIVA AIYAR (*Kunnatnad II*): May I know whether the amounts mentioned relate to any particular year?

MR. N. K. PADMANABHA PILLAI (*Director of Industries*): That is the minimum fixed for one year.

MR. N. K. KRIHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara I*): May I know whether there is any penalty clause in this agreement?

MR. N. K. PADMANABHA PILLAI (*Director of Industries*): What penalty clause, please?

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara I*): That is if all these companies do not work, will the licenses issued to them be cancelled?

MR. N. K. PADMANABHA PILLAI (*Director of Industries*); I cannot say off-hand, Sir, unless I go through the whole agreement.

Police firing at the Mosque at Quilon.

178 *MR. K. MAHOMED (*Alwaye*): (*a*) Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether Mr. Ramachandra Rao, acting Devicolam Commissioner, was appointed as special officer to conduct an enquiry in connection with the shooting of the Quilon mosque by the Police;

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Appendix II.

Vide Answer to question No. 176

Castewar statement of appointments made by Mr, E. I. Mathew, the present Registration Director in the office of the Director of Registration and office of the Registrar of Joint Stock Companies.

Director's office.

Total of appointments made	16
Caste	*No.*
Brahmin	1
Nair	7
Mahomedan	1
Jacobite Syrian Christian	2
Marthoma Do.	2
Protestant Do.	3

Join Stock office.

Total of appointments made	4
Caste	*No.*
Nair	1
Hindu Pandaram	1
Roman Catholic—Latin rite	1
Church of England	1

Appendix III.

Vide Answer to question No. 177.

Statement showing the names of the firms &c., enjoying monazite leases and periods for which leases have been granted.

Serial No.	Name of person or firm.	Period for which lease has been granted.
1	The Travancore Mineral. Co., Ltd.	15 years from 16-11-1928
2	Messrs. Hopkin & Williams (Travancore) Limited.	15 years from 7- 9-1930
3	Messrs. F. X. Pereira & Sons.	10 years from 15-6-1935
4	Mr. E. Masillamani.	10 years from 22-3-1933

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